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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION, MAILED SEPTEMBER 22, 2006

Dear Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on September 22, 2006 (the "Final Office Action"), Applicants submit this response and respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's rejections. Because this response has been filed within two months of when the Final Office Action was issued, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue an advisory action if the Examiner does not find the claims to be allowable in light of the amendments and remarks made herein.

In response to the Final Office Action, Applicants submit the following:

- Listing of the Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper; and
- Remarks/Arguments, which begin on page 7 of this paper.